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GENEVA FOR CSCE DEL

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SUBJECT: CSCE: COORDINATION OF POLICY

REF: (A) GENEVA 3608; (B) GENEVA 2204; (C) PARIS 13555

1. WE WELCOME GENEVA'S COMMENTS ON OUR CABLE CONCERNING COORDINATION OF CSCE POLICY AND AGREE COMPLETELY THAT WE SHOULD STRESS POSITIVE ASPECTS OF COMPROMISE REACHED ON ISSUE OF INVIOABILITY OF FRONTIERS BEFORE THE EASTER RECESS. WE CERTAINLY HAD NO INTENTION OF SUGGESTING THAT THIS COMPROMISE SHOULD BE "TREATED AS A WESTERN DEFEAT." THE ONLY POINT WE WISHED TO MAKE WAS THAT RIGHT OR WRONG SOME FRENCH CONTACTS HERE BELIEVE THAT THE US ROLE IN NEGOTIATION OF THIS COMPROMISE, WHICH WAS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO THE SOVIETS, WAS MORE ACTIVE THAN IT HAD BEEN ON OTHER ISSUES AT THE CONFERENCE. THUS, OUR RECOMMENDATION THAT WE SHOULD STRIVE TO GIVE THE IMPRESSION THAT WE DO SUPPORT EUROPEAN POSITION ON

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BASKET III ISSUES WHICH, FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE, SEEM TO

BE OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO THE FRENCH AND OTHER EUROPEANS, AND ON WHICH THEY APPEAR TO BELIEVE THE SOVIETS SHOULD MAKE CONCESSIONS.

2. WE HAVE, OF COURSE, TAKEN LINE IN REF B IN DISCUSSING THIS ISSUE HERE WITH THE FRENCH AND WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE POINTS ALONG LINES OF THOSE IN REFTEL A.
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